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TO SECSTATE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 2036
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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: TU, GR, US, CY, PEPR
SUBJ: MAY 21 JACK ANDERSON COLUMN

REF: STATE 130202

1. REPORTS OF JACK ANDERSON COLUMN CONTAINED REFTTEL NOW CIRCULATING
IN ANKARA. WE HAVE HAD MANY PRESS QUERIES REGARDING POTENTIALLY
DAMAGING QUOTES ATTRIBUTED TO AMBASSADOR SPIERS
IN FINAL TWO PARAGRAPHS OF ANDERSON ARTICLE. WE ARE RESPONDING:

STATEMENT: WE HAVE SEEN THE JACK ANDERSON COLUMN CONTAINING
STATEMENTS SAID TO HAVE BEEN QUOTED FROM A CONFIDENTIAL EMBASSY
REPORT. WE HAVE REVIEWED THE REPORT WHICH MAY HAVE BEEN INVOLVED.
WE FIND THAT BY TAKING A WORD HERE AND A PHRASE THERE, A DISTORTED
AND DAMAGING PORTRAYAL OF THE EMBASSY'S VIEWS HAS BEEN CREATED.
THE US ADMINISTRATION HAS MADE PUBLIC ITS VIEWS TOWARD THE ECEVIT
GOVERNMENT; OUR ASSESSMENT DOES NOT DIFFER.

Q. CAN YOU GIVE US THE EXACT LANGUAGE OF THE REPORT?

A. NO. THE REPORT IS NOT FOR PUBLICATION.
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2. AS DEPARTMENT KNOWS, WITHIN A FEW DAYS AN ARMY OF TURKISH
JOURNALISTS WILL BE IN WASHINGTON. WE BELIEVE SOME OF THEM WILL
TRY TO GET HOLD OF FULL TEXT OF CABLE FROM ANDERSON. IF THEY
SUCCEED IN DOING SO, WE WILL HAVE YET A BIGGER PROBLEM TO DEAL
WITH.
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